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RE: Heif. 582-703 Columbia PM 538

Dear George:

I presume we will have to accept the Patent Office ruling that this is vegetable matter and not patentable. If you think there is an argument that will make them change, please present it. Otherwise accept the method claims. It is curious that they think it concerns red beets. Could this be a translation error?

Very truly yours,

*Zes*

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